Flex LSP Overview

Flex LSP also known as Associated Bidirectional LSPs is the combination of static bidirectional MPLS-TP and dynamic MPLS-TE. Flex LSP provides bidirectional label switched paths (LSPs) set up dynamically through Resource Reservation Protocol–Traffic Engineering (RSVP-TE). It does not support non-co routed LSPs.

Flex Label Switched Paths are LSP instances where the forward and the reverse direction paths are setup, monitored and protected independently and associated together during signaling. You use a RSVP Association object to bind the two forward and reverse LSPs together to form either a co-routed or non co-routed associated bidirectional TE tunnel.

You can associate a protecting MPLS-TE tunnel with either a working MPLS-TE LSP, protecting MPLS-TE LSP, or both. The working LSP is the primary LSP backed up by the protecting LSP. When a working LSP goes down, the protecting LSP is automatically activated. You can configure a MPLS-TE tunnel to operate without protection as well.

Effective Cisco IOS XE Release 3.18.1SP, Flex LSP supports inter-area tunnels with non co-routed mode.

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Signaling Methods and Object Association for Flex LSPs

This section provides an overview of the association signaling methods for the bidirectional LSPs. Two unidirectional LSPs can be bound to form an associated bidirectional LSP in the following scenarios:

- No unidirectional LSP exists, and both must be established.
- Both unidirectional LSPs exist, but the association must be established.
- One unidirectional LSP exists, but the reverse associated LSP must be established.
Associated Bidirectional Non Co-routed and Co-routed LSPs

This section provides an overview of associated bidirectional non co-routed and co-routed LSPs. Establishment of MPLS TE-LSP involves computation of a path between a head-end node to a tail-end node, signaling along the path, and modification of intermediate nodes along the path. The signaling process ensures bandwidth reservation (if signaled bandwidth is lesser than 0 and programming of forwarding entries).

Path computation is performed by the head-end nodes of both the participating LSPs using Constrained Shortest Path First (CSPF). CSPF is the 'shortest path (measured in terms of cost) that satisfies all relevant LSP TE constraints or attributes, such as required bandwidth, priority and so on.

**Associated Bidirectional Non Co-routed LSPs:** A non co-routed bidirectional TE LSP follows two different paths, that is, the forward direction LSP path is different than the reverse direction LSP path. Here is an illustration.

In the above topology:

- The outer paths (in green) are working LSP pairs.
- The inner paths (in red) are protecting LSP pairs.
- Router 1 sets up working LSP to Router 3 and protecting LSP to Router 3 independently.
- Router 3 sets up working LSP to Router 1 and protecting LSP to Router 1 independently.

Non co-routed bidirectional TE LSP is available by default, and no configuration is required.

**Note**

In case of non co-routed LSPs, the head-end nodes relax the constraint on having identical forward and reverse paths. Hence, depending on network state you can have identical forward and reverse paths, though the bidirectional LSP is co-routed.

**Associated Bidirectional Co-routed LSPs:** A co-routed bidirectional TE LSP denotes a bidirectional tunnel where the forward direction LSP and reverse direction LSP must follow the same path, for example, the same nodes and paths. Here is an illustration.
In the above topology:

- Paths at the top of the figure (in green) indicate working co-routed LSP pairs.
- Paths at the bottom of the figure (in red) indicate protecting co-routed LSP pairs.
- Router 1 sets up working LSP to Router 3 (in red) after performing bidirectional CSPF and sends reverse explicit route object (ERO) to Router 3. Node Router 3 uses the received reverse ERO to set up reverse red working LSP to Router 1.
- Router 3 sets up protecting LSP to Router 1 (in green) after performing bidirectional CSPF and sends reverse ERO to Router 1. Node Router 1 uses the received reverse ERO to set up reverse green protecting LSP to Router 3.

**Restrictions for Flex LSP**

- Exp-null over Flex-LSP is not supported.
- Flex-LSP does not support tunnel statistics.
- VC (layer 2 VPN ckts) statistics are not supported.
- It is recommended to configure for the following timers for Flex-LSP deployments:
  
  - `mpls traffic-eng reoptimize timers frequency 120`
  - `mpls traffic-eng reoptimize timers delay installation 30`
  - `mpls traffic-eng reoptimize timers delay cleanup 90`

- The `no mpls ip propagate-tcl` command is not recommended with Flex-LSP. The PREC value of BFD control packet is set to “0”. Therefore, packet prioritization cannot be done at mid-points and BFD flap can occur with traffic congestions.
- It is recommended to configure BFD timers as 10x3 during cable pull testing or in Flex LSP feature deployments.
- 50 msec convergence is not guaranteed for local shut.
- 50 msec convergence is not guaranteed without WRAP protection. WRAP protection is mandatory to achieve 50 msec convergence for remote failures.
- With scale and multiple other feature mix-up, it is possible to see higher convergence.
- TE NSR and IGP NSR are mandatory for RSP switchover.
- Flex LSP is supported with the IPv4 template.
- The `ip rsvp signalling hello` command is not mandatory and it can cause a large punt during the cutover and can lead to unexpected results like BFD flapping.
• VPLS over Flex-LSP is not supported.
• Both IGP and FRR must be configured as clients for single-hop BFD when the WRAP protection is enabled; only FRR cannot be the only client configured at midpoint.
• Layer 3 VPN over Flex-LSP is not supported.
• It is recommended to configure 10x3 BFD timers for cable failures, to achieve 50 msec of convergence.
• Flex LSP is not supported over Port-channel in RSP3.

Restrictions for Non Co-routed Inter-Area Flex LSP Tunnels

- The dynamic path option feature for TE tunnels (tunnel mpls traffic-eng path-option number dynamic) is not supported for inter-area tunnels. An explicit path identifying the area border routers (ABRs) is required.
- The MPLS TE AutoRoute feature (tunnel mpls traffic-eng autoroute announce) is not supported for inter-area tunnels.
- Tunnel affinity (tunnel mpls traffic-eng affinity) is not supported for inter-area tunnels.
- Tunnel metric (tunnel mpls traffic-eng path-selection metric) is not supported for inter-area tunnels.
- BFD is not supported with non co-routed inter-area flex LSP tunnels.

How to Configure Co-routed Flex LSPs

A co-routed bidirectional packet LSP is a combination of two LSPs (one in the forward direction and the other in reverse direction) sharing the same path between a pair of ingress and egress nodes. It is established using the extensions to RSVP-TE. This type of LSP can be used to carry any of the standard types of MPLS-based traffic, including Layer 2 VPNs and Layer 2 circuits. You can configure a single BFD session for the bidirectional LSP (that is, you do not need to configure a BFD session for each LSP in each direction). You can also configure a single standby bidirectional LSP to provide a backup for the primary bidirectional LSP.

The configuration includes the following steps:

1. Enable basic MPLS Traffic Engineering on hostname PE1.
2. Map L2VPN pseudowire to a specific FLEX LSP tunnel.
3. Configure Flex LSP.
4. Enable BFD.
5. Enable Wrap and Fault OAM.
6. Enable BDIs on a core-facing interface.
Configuring Co-routed Flex LSPs

Before you begin

- You must have symmetric source and destination TE router IDs in order for bidirectional LSPs to be associated.
- Tunnels attributes must be configured identically on both sides of co-routed bidirectional LSP.

Procedure

1. Enable basic MPLS Traffic Engineering on hostname PE1:

```
mpls traffic-eng tunnels
mpls traffic-eng fault-oam
mpls traffic-eng nsr
router ospf 100
  router-id 1.1.1.1
nsr
mpls traffic-eng router-id Loopback0
mpls traffic-eng area 0
```

2. Map L2VPN pseudowire to a specific Flex LSP tunnel:

```
template type pseudowire mpls-te1 (mpls-te1 can be any name)
encapsulation mpls
preferred-path interface Tunnel1 disable-fallback
bandwidth 100
```

```
template type pseudowire mpls-te4
encapsulation mpls
preferred-path interface Tunnel4 disable-fallback
bandwidth 100
```

3. Configure Flex LSP:

```
interface Tunnel1
bandwidth 1000
ip unnumbered Loopback0
tunnel mode mpls traffic-eng
tunnel destination 22.22.22.22
tunnel mpls traffic-eng autoroute announce
tunnel mpls traffic-eng priority 7 7
tunnel mpls traffic-eng bandwidth 1000
tunnel mpls traffic-eng path-option 1 explicit name BDI1 bandwidth 1000
tunnel mpls traffic-eng path-option protect 1 explicit name BACKUP1 bandwidth 1000
tunnel mpls traffic-eng bidirectional association id 1 source-address 11.11.11.11 global-id 1
```

NOTE: To bring up the bi-directional tunnels, association ID, source address and global ID must match on both sides of the tunnel.

```
tunnel mpls traffic-eng bidirectional association type co-routed
ip explicit-path name BDI1 enable
next-address 1.11.1.1
next-address 10.1.2.2
next-address 2.22.1.22
```
Verifying the Co-routed Flex LSP Configuration

To verify the FLEX LSP tunnel summary, use the `show mpls traffic-eng tunnels bidirectional-associated concise` command in MPLS tunnel-te interface.

Router# show mpls traffic-eng tunnels summary
Signalling Summary:
- LSP Tunnels Process: running
- Passive LSP Listener: running
- RSVP Process: running
- Forwarding: enabled
- auto-tunnel: p2p Disabled (0), id-range:62336-64335
- Periodic reoptimization: every 3600 seconds, next in 2942 seconds
How to Configure Non Co-routed Inter-area Flex LSP Tunnels

The working and protect LSPs for PE1 (head-end) is different from PE2 (tail-end).

At PE1 (head-end):

```bash
interface Tunnel1001
  ip unnumbered Loopback0
  mpls ip
  tunnel mode mpls traffic-eng
  tunnel destination 1.1.1.1
  tunnel mpls traffic-eng priority 7 7
```

Note: The working and protect LSPs for PE1 (head-end) is different from PE2 (tail-end).
tunnel mpls traffic-eng bandwidth 200
   tunnel mpls traffic-eng path-option 1 explicit name ThruHunG verbatim
   tunnel mpls traffic-eng path-option protect 1 explicit name PROT1 verbatim
   tunnel mpls traffic-eng bidirectional association id 1001 source-address 1.1.1.1 global-id 1001
}

interface Tunnel1002
   ip unnumbered Loopback0
   mpls ip
   tunnel mode mpls traffic-eng
   tunnel destination 1.1.1.1
   tunnel mpls traffic-eng priority 7
   tunnel mpls traffic-eng bandwidth 200
   tunnel mpls traffic-eng path-option 1 explicit name ThruHunG verbatim
   tunnel mpls traffic-eng path-option protect 1 explicit name PROT1 verbatim
   tunnel mpls traffic-eng bidirectional association id 1002 source-address 1.1.1.1 global-id 1002

   ip explicit-path name ThruTenG enable
   next-address loose 22.1.1.2
   next-address loose 10.1.1.1
   next-address loose 1.1.1.1
   
   ip explicit-path name ThruHunG enable
   next-address loose 23.1.1.2
   next-address loose 10.1.1.1
   next-address loose 1.1.1.1

   ip explicit-path name PROT1 enable
   next-address loose 30.1.1.2
   next-address loose 40.1.1.1
   next-address loose 1.1.1.1

At PE2 (tail-end):

interface Tunnel1001
   ip unnumbered Loopback0
   mpls ip
   tunnel mode mpls traffic-eng
   tunnel destination 4.4.4.4
   tunnel mpls traffic-eng priority 7
   tunnel mpls traffic-eng bandwidth 200
   tunnel mpls traffic-eng path-option 1 explicit name ThruTenG verbatim
   tunnel mpls traffic-eng path-option protect 1 explicit name PROT2 verbatim
   tunnel mpls traffic-eng bidirectional association id 1001 source-address 1.1.1.1 global-id 1001

interface Tunnel1002
   ip unnumbered Loopback0
   mpls ip
   tunnel mode mpls traffic-eng
   tunnel destination 4.4.4.4
   tunnel mpls traffic-eng priority 7
   tunnel mpls traffic-eng bandwidth 200
   tunnel mpls traffic-eng path-option 1 explicit name ThruTenG verbatim
   tunnel mpls traffic-eng path-option protect 1 explicit name PROT2 verbatim
   tunnel mpls traffic-eng bidirectional association id 1002 source-address 1.1.1.1 global-id 1002

   ip explicit-path name ThruTenG enable
   next-address loose 10.1.1.1
   next-address loose 22.1.1.1
   next-address loose 4.4.4.4

   !
   ip explicit-path name ThruHunG enable
next-address loose 10.1.1.2
next-address loose 23.1.1.1
next-address loose 4.4.4.4
ip explicit-path name PROT2 enable
next-address loose 41.1.1.2
next-address loose 31.1.1.1
next-address loose 4.4.4.4

Configuring OSFP for Non Co-routed Flex LSP

Add the new area into OSPF based on where you want the Inter-area to run.

router ospf 1
router-id 3.3.3.3
nsr
nsf cisco
microloop avoidance
passive-interface Loopback0
network 3.3.3.3 0.0.0.0 area 0
mpls traffic-eng router-id Loopback0
mpls traffic-eng area 0
mpls traffic-eng area 1

Verifying the Non Co-routed Inter-area Flex LSP Tunnels

At the PE1

Router# show mpls traffic-eng tunnels tunnel 1001

Name: PE1_t1001 (Tunnel1001) Destination: 4.4.4.4
Status:
  Admin: up  Oper: up  Path: valid  Signalling: connected
  path option 1, type explicit (verbatim) ThruTenG (Basis for Setup, path weight 0)
  Path Protection: Requested
  path protect option 1, type explicit (verbatim) PROT2 (Basis for Protect, path weight 0)
Config Parameters:
  Bandwidth: 200 kbps (Global) Priority: 7 7  Affinity: 0x0/0xFFFF
  Metric Type: TE (default)
  auto-bw: disabled
  Association Type: Double Sided Bidirectional LSPs, Co-routed: NO
  Association ID: 1001, Source: 1.1.1.1, Global ID: 1001
  Fault-OAM: disabled, Wrap-Protection: disabled, Wrap-Capable: No
Active Path Option Parameters:
  State: explicit path option 1 is active
  BandwidthOverride: disabled  LockDown: disabled  Verbatim: enabled

InLabel : -
OutLabel : BDI100, 242
Next Hop : 10.1.1.2
Reverse Associated LSP Information:
  Signaled Name: 4.4.4.4 1001
  Tunnel: 1001, Source: 4.4.4.4, Dest: 1.1.1.1, LSP: 9 State: Up
Lockout Info:
  Locked out: No
Lockout Originated By: None

Association:
Association Type: Double Sided Bidirectional LSPs
Association ID: 1001 Source: 1.1.1.1
Extended Association:
  Global source: 1001
  Extended ID: None
RSVP Signalling Info:
  Src 1.1.1.1, Dst 4.4.4.4, Tun_Id 1001, Tun_Instance 9
RSVP Path Info:
  My Address: 10.1.1.1
  Explicit Route: 10.1.1.2 10.1.1.2* 22.1.1.1* 4.4.4.4*
  Record Route:
    Tspec: ave rate=200 kbits, burst=1000 bytes, peak rate=200 kbits
RSVP Resv Info:
  Record Route: 22.1.1.2 22.1.1.1
    Fspec: ave rate=200 kbits, burst=1000 bytes, peak rate=200 kbits

Shortest Unconstrained Path Info:
  Path Weight: 2 (TE)
  Explicit Route: 11.1.1.2 20.1.1.1 4.4.4.4
Reason for the tunnel being down: Bidirectional: standby error from [1.1.1.1][UNK] LSP[8]

History:
  Tunnel:
    Time since created: 7 minutes, 51 seconds
    Number of LSP IDs (Tun_Instances) used: 9
    Current LSP: [ID: 9]
    Uptime: 5 minutes, 59 seconds

At PE2

Router# show mpls traffic-eng tunnels tunnel 1001

Name: PE2_t1001 (Tunnel1001) Destination: 1.1.1.1
Status:
  Admin: up Oper: up Path: valid Signalling: connected
  path option 1, type explicit (verbatim) ThruHunG (Basis for Setup, path weight 0)
  Path Protection: Requested
    path protect option 1, type explicit (verbatim) PROT1 (Basis for Protect, path weight 0)

Config Parameters:
  Bandwidth: 200 kbps (Global) Priority: 7 7 Affinity: 0x0/0xFFFF
  Metric Type: TE (default)
  auto-bw: disabled
  Association Type: Double Sided Bidirectional LSPs, Co-routed: NO
  Association ID: 1001, Source: 1.1.1.1, Global ID: 1001
  Fault-OAM: disabled, Wrap-Protection: disabled, Wrap-Capable: No
  Active Path Option Parameters:
    State: explicit path option 1 is active
    BandwidthOverride: disabled LockDown: disabled Verbatim: enabled

InLabel : -
OutLabel : BDI221, 980
Next Hop : 23.1.1.2
Reverse Associated LSP Information:
  Signaled Name: 1.1.1.1 1001
  Tunnel: 1001, Source: 1.1.1.1, Dest: 4.4.4.4, LSP: 9 State: Up
  Lockout Info:
    Locked out: No
    Lockout Originated By: None
Association:
Association Type: Double Sided Bidirectional LSPs
Troubleshooting Flex LSP

Step 1: Verifying that the Flex LSP Tunnel is in UP State

Router# show mpls traffic-eng tunnels bidirectional-associated association id 1

P2P TUNNELS/LSPs:
  Name: RP1_t3 (Tunnel3) Destination: 10.5.0.1
  Status: Admin: up Oper: up Path: valid Signalling: connected
  path option 2, type explicit expl_route_m2_tail (Basis for Setup, path weight 40)
  path option 3, type explicit expl_route_m3_tail
  Path Protection: 0 Common Link(s), 0 Common Node(s)
  path protect option 2, type explicit expl_route_m3_tail (Basis for Protect, path weight 40)
  path protect option 3, type list name xtd
  Lockout Info:
  Locked Out: No
  Config Parameters:
  Bandwidth: 500 kbps (Global) Priority: 7
  Metric Type: TE (default)
  AutoRoute: disabled LockDown: disabled Loadshare: 500 [4000000] bw-based
  auto-bw: disabled
  Association Type: Single Sided Bidirectional LSPs, Co-routed: YES
  Association ID: 1, Source: 2.3.4.5, Global ID: 6
  Fault-OAM: disabled
  Active Path Option Parameters:
  State: explicit path option 2 is active
  BandwidthOverride: disabled LockDown: disabled Verbatim: disabled
  InLabel : -
  OutLabel : Ethernet0/0, 16
  Next Hop : 10.1.2.2
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Step 2: Verifying RSVP Signaling

Router# show ip rsvp sender detail

PATH:
- Tun Dest: 10.255.255.1 Tun ID: 15 Ext Tun ID: 10.255.255.8
- Tun Sender: 10.255.255.8 LSP ID: 40
Path refreshes:
  - arriving: from PHOP 10.5.2.1 on Et0/1 every 30000 msecs. Timeout in 136 sec
  - sent: to NHOP 10.1.4.1 on Ethernet0/0

Session Attr:
- Setup Prio: 7, Holding Prio: 7
- Flags: (0x4) SE Style
- Session Name: R3_t15
- ERO: (incoming)
  - 10.5.2.2 (Strict IPv4 Prefix, 8 bytes, /32)
  - 10.1.4.2 (Strict IPv4 Prefix, 8 bytes, /32)
  - 10.1.4.1 (Strict IPv4 Prefix, 8 bytes, /32)
  - 10.255.255.1 (Strict IPv4 Prefix, 8 bytes, /32)
- ERO: (outgoing)
  - 10.1.4.1 (Strict IPv4 Prefix, 8 bytes, /32)
  - 10.255.255.1 (Strict IPv4 Prefix, 8 bytes, /32)

ASSOCIATION:
- Extended Association type: Single sided provisioned bidirectional LSPs IPv4
- Association ID: 1, Source: 1.1.1.1
- Global source: 0
- ExtID[0]: 0xAFFFFF08
- ExtID[1]: 0x28

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Step 3: Verifying RSVP Reservation

Router# show ip rsvp reservation detail

Reservation:
- Tun Dest: 10.255.255.1 Tun ID: 15 Ext Tun ID: 10.255.255.8
- Tun Sender: 10.255.255.8 LSP ID: 327
Resv refreshes:
  - arriving: from NHOP 10.1.4.1 on Et0/0 every 30000 msecs. Timeout in 382 sec
  - Next Hop: 10.1.4.1 on Ethernet0/0
- Label: 23 (outgoing)
- Reservation Style is Shared-Explicit, QoS Service is Controlled-Load
- Resv ID handle: 1200040C.
- Created: 11:08:07 EST Fri Aug 28 2015
- Average Bitrate is 0 bits/sec, Maximum Burst is 1K bytes
- Min Policed Unit: 0 bytes, Max Pkt Size: 1500 bytes
- Status:
  - Policy: Accepted. Policy source(s): MPLS/TE

Reservation:
- Tun Dest: 10.255.255.8 Tun ID: 15 Ext Tun ID: 10.255.255.1
- Tun Sender: 10.255.255.1 LSP ID: 338
Resv refreshes:
  - arriving: from NHOP 10.5.2.1 on Et0/1 every 30000 msecs. Timeout in 382 sec
  - Next Hop: 10.5.2.1 on Ethernet0/1
- Label: 17 (outgoing)
- Reservation Style is Shared-Explicit, QoS Service is Controlled-Load
- Resv ID handle: 05000410.
- Created: 11:08:07 EST Fri Aug 28 2015
- Average Bitrate is 0 bits/sec, Maximum Burst is 1K bytes
- Min Policed Unit: 0 bytes, Max Pkt Size: 1500 bytes
- RRO:
  - 10.3.2.2/32, Flags:0x0 (No Local Protection)
  - 10.3.2.1/32, Flags:0x0 (No Local Protection)
- Status:
  - Policy: Accepted. Policy source(s): MPLS/TE

Step 4: Verifying Wrap Functionality
Router# show mpls traffic-eng tunnels
P2P TUNNELS/LSPs:
Name: R1_t15 (Tunnel15) Destination: 10.255.255.8
Status:
  Admin: up  Oper: up  Path: valid  Signalling: connected
path option 1, type explicit Primary (Basis for Setup, path weight 60)
path option 2, type dynamic
Path Protection: 0 Common Link(s), 0 Common Node(s)
  path protect option 1, type explicit Secondary (Basis for Protect, path weight 40)
Lockout Info:
  Locked Out: No
Config Parameters:
  Bandwidth: 0 kbps (Global)  Priority: 7 7  Affinity: 0x0/0xFFFF
  Metric Type: TE (default)  AutoRoute: enabled  LockDown: disabled
  auto-bw: disabled  Loadshare: 0  [0] bw-based auto-bw: disabled
  Association Type: Single Sided Bidirectional LSPs, Co-routed: YES
  Association ID: 1, Source: 1.1.1.1
  Fault-OAM: enabled, Path-Protection: ready, Wrap-Protection: enabled, Wrap-Capable: Yes

FlexLSP Event History:
Active Path Option Parameters:
  State: explicit path option 1 is active
  BandwidthOverride: disabled  LockDown: disabled  Verbatim: disabled

Router# show mpls traffic-eng tunnels protection
P2P TUNNELS:
R1_t15
LSP Head, Tunnel15, Admin: up, Oper: up
Src 10.255.255.1, Dest 10.255.255.8, Instance 34
Fast Reroute Protection: None
Lockout Info:
  Locked Out: No
Path Protection: Backup lsp in use.
Prior Working LSP details:
  LSP ID: 3 (Delayed Clean)
  Deactives In: (2796) ms
  InLabel : -
  OutLabel : Ethernet0/1, 16
  Next Hop : 10.1.4.2
Reverse Associated LSP Information:
  Signaled Name: 10.255.255.8 15
  Tunnel: 15, Source: 10.255.255.8, Dest: 10.255.255.1, LSP: 29 State: Up
Lockout Info:
  Locked out: No
  Lockout Originated By: None
Association:
  Association Type: Single Sided Bidirectional LSPs
  Association ID: 1 Source: 1.1.1.1

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Step 5: Verifying BFD and OAM Operations

Router# show mpls traffic-eng tunnels detail | sec Fault
Fault-OAM: enabled, Path-Protection: no protection, Wrap-Protection: disabled,
Wrap-Capable: No
Fault-OAM Events:
  LSP 4636 (deleted) bfd-delete,
    at 07:32:08 IST Fri Jun 3 2016 (1 days, 8 hours, 35 mins, 30 secs ago)
  LSP 4636 (deleted) fault-delete,
    at 07:32:08 IST Fri Jun 3 2016 (1 days, 8 hours, 35 mins, 30 secs ago)
  LSP 4638 (working) bfd-up,
    at 10:15:31 IST Thu Jun 2 2016 (2 days, 5 hours, 52 mins, 7 secs ago)
  LSP 4637 (working) bfd-delete,
    at 10:15:20 IST Thu Jun 2 2016 (2 days, 5 hours, 52 mins, 18 secs ago)
LSP 4637 (working) fault-delete, at 10:15:20 IST Thu Jun 2 2016 (2 days, 5 hours, 52 mins, 18 secs ago)
LSP 4636 (working) bfd-delete, at 10:15:17 IST Thu Jun 2 2016 (2 days, 5 hours, 52 mins, 21 secs ago)
LSP 4636 (working) fault-delete, at 10:15:17 IST Thu Jun 2 2016 (2 days, 5 hours, 52 mins, 21 secs ago)
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Router# show mpls fault-oam session end-point detail

MPLS Fault-OAM End-point Sessions
=====================================
Session handle : 0x6
Client handle : 0x2B9FAE02B750
Local label : 18
Tunnel interface : Tunnel3 (0x15)
Tunnel number : 3
LSP number : 49
Global ID : 0
Node ID : 10.1.0.1
Local event : Fault Clear
Sender Information
  Fault source : End-point
  Refresh seconds : 20
  Initial count : 0
  Fault type : CLR
  Tx Fault-CLR count : 0
  Tx Fault-AIS count : 0
  Tx Fault-LDI count : 0
  Tx Fault-LKR count : 0
  Tx Lockout-CLR count : 0
  Tx Lockout count : 0
  Tx Error count : 0
Receiver Information
  Source global ID : 0
  Source node ID : 0
  Source intf number : 0
  Fault type : CLR
  Rx Fault-CLR count : 0
  Rx Fault-AIS count : 0
  Rx Fault-LDI count : 0
  Rx Fault-LKR count : 0
  Rx Lockout-CLR count : 0
  Rx Lockout count : 0
  Rx Error count : 0
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Step 6: Verifying that Pseudowire is in UP State

Router# show mpls l2transport vc vcid 1

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<tr>
<th>Local intf</th>
<th>Local circuit</th>
<th>Dest address</th>
<th>VC ID</th>
<th>Status</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Gi6</td>
<td>Eth VLAN 30</td>
<td>53.0.0.1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>UP</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

#show mpls l2transport vc vcid 1 detail
Local interface: Gi6 up, line protocol up, Eth VLAN 30 up
Interworking type is Ethernet
Destination address: 53.0.0.1, VC ID: 1, VC status: up
Output interface: Tu10, imposed label stack (29 29780)
Preferred path: Tunnel10, active
Required BW = 15000, Admitted BW = 15000
Default path: ready
Next hop: point2point
Create time: 00:01:13, last status change time: 00:01:13
Last label FSM state change time: 00:01:13
Signaling protocol: LDP, peer 53.0.0.1:0 up

Flex LSP Overview
Targeted Hello: 52.0.0.1 (LDP Id) -> 53.0.0.1, LDP is UP
Graceful restart: configured and enabled
Non stop routing: configured and not enabled

Use the `show adjacency tunnel internal` command to view the software forwarding of the tunnel:

```bash
Router# show adjacency tunnel internal | i lsp-num
GigabitEthernet0/5/2 55.0.0.1 label 21 lsp-num 20
Path protected by GigabitEthernet0/5/3 label 22 lsp-num 21
Reopt of working: Null0 0.0.0.0 label none lsp-num 0
Reopt of protect: Null0 label none lsp-num 0
```

**Flex LSP Phase 2**

Flex LSP phase 2 is supported effective Cisco IOS XE Everest 16.5.1. Flex LSP also known as Associated Bidirectional Label Switched Paths (LSPs) are LSP instances where the forward and the reverse direction paths are set up, monitored, protected independently, and associated together during signaling. The RSVP Association aims to bind the forward and reverse LSPs together to form either a co-routed or a non co-routed associated bidirectional traffic engineering (TE) tunnel.

The Cisco IOS XE Everest 16.5.1 supports only co-routed Flex LSP tunnels. Flex LSP Phase 2 supports the following features:

- **Shared Risk Link Groups (SRLGs) Protection** – SRLGs indicate situations where links in a network share a common fiber (or a common physical attribute). If one link fails, the other links in the group may also fail. Links in this group have a shared risk.

  The MPLS-TE SRLG Protection feature enhances backup tunnel path selection so that a backup tunnel avoids using links that are in the same SRLG as interfaces the backup tunnel is protecting.

- **Non-revertive**

- **Sticky**

- **Hop count and Cost max limit** – Each path from the tunnel source node (head-end) to destination node (tail-end) has a number of characteristics, including node hop count and accumulated path cost. Node hop count is the number of nodes along a path excluding the source node.

  To ensure that the selected path does not exceed the specified hop count, configure a maximum node hop count.

  Each link segment along the path has an associated path cost. Accumulated path cost is the sum of the path cost of all link segments. In the co-routed tunnel case, the accumulated path cost includes both, the forward and reverse link cost. To ensure the selected path does not exceed the specified cost value, configure a cost max limit.

- **ECMP min-fill, max-fill** – Path calculation selects a path with the lowest accumulated path cost. Sometimes there are multiple paths from the tunnel source node to the destination node, and all these paths may have the same accumulated (and lowest) path cost. These paths are referred to as “Equal Cost Multi Path” (ECMP). In this scenario, path calculation must use other tiebreakers (such as, node hop count and path minimum bandwidth) to select one path. Max-fill is a tiebreaker method that selects from all ECMPs, the path with the least head room, but can still accommodate the path request. This method has the effect of packing the links. Min-fill is a tiebreaker method that selects from all ECMPs, a path with the most head room, and which has a load balance effect over time.
• Restore path option – The restore path option signals a restore LSP after the double failure of both, primary and protect LSPs.

Flex LSP SRLG and Exclude Option for Explicit Path

Use the following commands to configure SRLG on an interface:

Router(config)# interface Ethernet0/1
Router(config-if)# srlg gid <1-4294967295>

SRLG values configured on MPLS TE enabled interfaces are flooded through IGP (IS-IS or OSPF), and are used by MPLS TE in the following scenarios:

• Automatically create backup tunnels to avoid SRLGs of their protected interfaces (MPLS TE FRR).

Router(config)# mpls traffic-eng static backup srlg exclude [force | preferred]

• Restrict protection path to avoid SRLGs of links in the working path.

Router(config)# interface Tunnel100
Router(config-if)# tunnel mpls traffic-eng path-option protect 1 diverse
srlg [node] lockdown

• Exclude SRLG in IP Explicit Path.

Router(config)# ip explicit-path name EXAMPLE
Router(config-expl-path)# exclude-srlg A.B.C.D

The exclude-srlg command specifies an address to get SRLGs from for exclusion.

Note

For bidirectional co-routed LSP, both ends of the tunnel must be configured with the same exclude options in explicit path. Otherwise, it is considered a configuration error.

Note

Only 32 SRLG values can be configured on an interface. Also, MPLS TE only accepts up to 400 SRLG values configured on a system.

Configuring Flex LSP SRLG and Exclude Option

On the MPLS-TE enabled interface:

```
interface GigabitEthernet0/3/0
  srlg gid 10
  srlg gid 20
  srlg gid 30
  srlg gid 40
  srlg gid 50
  ip address 102.103.1.1 255.255.255.0
  ip ospf 1 area 0
  negotiation auto
  mpls ip
  mpls traffic-eng tunnels
  ip rsvp bandwidth 200000 120000 sub-pool 120000
  ip rsvp signalling hello graceful-restart
```
Enable the SRLG on the Flex LSP tunnel:

```conf
! interface Tunnel1
bandwidth 100000
ip unnumbered Loopback0
tunnel mode mpls traffic-eng
tunnel destination 54.4.4.4
tunnel mpls traffic-eng autoroute announce
tunnel mpls traffic-eng priority 7 7
tunnel mpls traffic-eng bandwidth 100000000
tunnel mpls traffic-eng path-option 1 explicit name SRLG
  tunnel mpls traffic-eng path-option protect 1 diverse srlg lockdown
  tunnel mpls traffic-eng bidirectional association id 1 source-address 52.2.2.2 global-id 1
  tunnel mpls traffic-eng bidirectional association type co-routed fault-oam wrap-protection
```

To enable explicit path SRLG:

```conf
ip explicit-path name SRLG enable
exclude-srlg 102.103.1.1
```

**Verifying the Flex LSP SRLG and Exclude Option**

To view the SRLG values in the topology:

```conf
Router# show mpls traffic-eng topology 52.2.2.2
```

```
IGP Id: 52.2.2.2, MPLS TE Id:52.2.2.2 Router Node (ospf 1 area 0) id 16
  link[0]: Broadcast, DR: 102.104.2.2, nbr_node_id:17, gen:54, nbr_p:4640A034
  frag Id: 2, Intf Address: 102.104.2.1
  TE metric: 1, IGP metric: 1, attribute flags: 0x0
  SRLGs: None
  physical_bw: 1000000 (kbps), max_reservable_bw_global: 200000 (kbps)
  max_reservable_bw_sub: 120000 (kbps)

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link[1]: Broadcast, DR: 102.103.1.2, nbr_node_id:13, gen:54, nbr_p:4640A36C
  frag Id: 1, Intf Address: 102.103.1.1
  TE metric: 1, IGP metric: 1, attribute flags: 0x0
  SRLGs: 10 20 30 40 50
  physical_bw: 1000000 (kbps), max_reservable_bw_global: 200000 (kbps)
  max_reservable_bw_sub: 120000 (kbps)
```

```conf
Router# show mpls traffic-eng link-management advertisements
Flooding Status: ready
Configured Areas: 1
IGP Area[1] ID: ospf 1 area 0
System Information::
  Flooding Protocol: OSPF
  Header Information::
    IGP System ID: 52.2.2.2
    MPLS TE Router ID: 52.2.2.2
    Flooded Links: 2
```

**Verifying the Flex LSP SRLG and Exclude Option**

To view the SRLG values in the topology:

```conf
Router# show mpls traffic-eng topology 52.2.2.2
```

```
IGP Id: 52.2.2.2, MPLS TE Id:52.2.2.2 Router Node (ospf 1 area 0) id 16
  link[0]: Broadcast, DR: 102.104.2.2, nbr_node_id:17, gen:54, nbr_p:4640A034
  frag Id: 2, Intf Address: 102.104.2.1
  TE metric: 1, IGP metric: 1, attribute flags: 0x0
  SRLGs: None
  physical_bw: 1000000 (kbps), max_reservable_bw_global: 200000 (kbps)
  max_reservable_bw_sub: 120000 (kbps)

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  TE metric: 1, IGP metric: 1, attribute flags: 0x0
  SRLGs: 10 20 30 40 50
  physical_bw: 1000000 (kbps), max_reservable_bw_global: 200000 (kbps)
  max_reservable_bw_sub: 120000 (kbps)
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Router# show mpls traffic-eng link-management advertisements
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Configured Areas: 1
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System Information::
  Flooding Protocol: OSPF
  Header Information::
    IGP System ID: 52.2.2.2
    MPLS TE Router ID: 52.2.2.2
    Flooded Links: 2
Flex LSP Non-Revertive 1:1 Path Protection

Currently, MPLS-TE path protection is triggered every time a fail is detected on a working path (assuming a protect path is configured and available). Once the fail is resolved, TE switches back traffic to the working path. The process of switching back the traffic to the working path is done in a make-before-break fashion but it still does not guarantee that traffic jitter or delay is not introduced (due to different path lengths between working and protect paths). This jitter is not desirable in delay-intolerant applications like Circuit Emulation (CEM).

In Cisco IOS XE Everest 16.5.1, TE no longer switches back to the working path when the working path is restored. Instead, the protected path continues to be the working path. This behavior is achieved by configuring a specific attribute, [non-revertive], to the protecting path-options.

However, if the non-revertive option is configured, TE switches back to the working path.

This is the sequence of actions for MPLS TE when the non-revertive protect path is configured:

1. Detects failure on the current path.
2. Switches to the protect path. The protect path now becomes the active non-revertive path (that is, the path carrying traffic).
3. Signals a new path and marks it as pending. This new pending path must be diverse from the active path, only if the diverse option is configured on the protect path option.
4. Re-optimizes this pending path periodically (but at the same time ensures this is diverse from the active non-revertive protect path).
5. Switches over to the pending path, if the active path fails [traffic is wrapped]. Marks pending path as active path. Re-signals a protect path for the new active path.
6. You can force traffic to a pending path by running the command `mpls traffic-eng switch non-revertive`.

In this case, the pending path becomes the current active path and the non-revertive path is re-signaled as a protect path for the new current path.

Configuring Flex LSP Non-Revertive Path Protection

The following command is used to configure the non-revertive path protection:

```
[no] tunnel mpls traffic-eng path-option protect [preference] {diverse | explicit {identifier [id] | name [name]} | list {identifier [id] | name [name]}} [non-revertive]
```

The following sample configuration illustrates a co-routed Flex LSP enabled with the non-revertive option:
Non-revertive must be configured on the both ends of a Flex Tunnel.

```
Router(config)# interface tunnel 1000
Router (config-if)# ip unnumbered loopback0
Router(config-if)# tunnel mode mpls traffic-eng
Router(config-if)# tunnel destination 56.6.6.6
Router(config-if)# tunnel mpls traffic-eng bidir association type co-routed fault-oam wrap
Router(config-if)# tunnel mpls traffic-eng bidir association id 1000 source 55.5.5.5 global 1000
Router(config-if)# tunnel mpls traffic-eng path-selection hop-limit 5
Router(config-if)# tunnel mpls traffic-eng bandwidth 200
Router(config-if)# tunnel mpls traffic-eng autoroute announce
Router (config-if)# tunnel mpls traffic-eng path-option 10 dynamic
Router(config-if)# tunnel mpls traffic-eng path-option protect 10 diverse non-revertive lockdown
```

**Verifying Flex LSP Non-Revertive Path Protection**

```
Router# show mpls traffic-eng tunnels tunnel 1000 detail
Name: Router_t1000 (Tunnel1000) Destination: 56.6.6.6
Status:
    Admin: up Oper: up Path: valid Signalling: connected
path option 10, type dynamic (Basis for Setup, path weight 40)
Path Protection: 0 Common Link(s), 0 Common Node(s)
    path protect option 10, (LOCKDOWN) (NON-REVERTIVE) type diverse (Basis for Protect, path weight 80)
Lockout Info:
    Locked Out: No
Config Parameters:
    Bandwidth: 200 kbps (Global) Priority: 7 7 Affinity: 0x0/0xFFFF
    Metric Type: TE (default)
    Path-selection Tiebreaker:
        Global: not set Tunnel Specific: not set Effective: min-fill (default)
    Hop Limit: 5
    Cost Limit: disabled
    Path-invalidation timeout: 45000 msec (default), Action: Tear
    Protection non-revertive

After non-revertive protect path takes over, and primary path is re-signaled, the primary path is in pending reroute stage as below:

```
Router# show mpls traffic-eng tunnels tunnel 2222
Name: RPI_t2222 (Tunnel2222) Destination: 10.11.0.5
Status:
    Admin: up Oper: up Path: valid Signalling: connected
path protect option 1, type explicit expl_route_m3_m22 (Basis for Protect, path weight 61)
    path option 1, type dynamic (Basis for Setup, path weight 62)
    path option 2, type explicit expl_route_m4
    Pending Non Revertive is active. Roles switched
Path Protection: 0 Common Link(s), 0 Common Node(s)
    path protect option 1, type explicit expl_route_m3_m22 (Basis for Protect, path weight 61)
    path protect option 2, type explicit expl_route_m3_m22
Lockout Info:
    Locked Out: No
Config Parameters:
Bandwidth: 2 kbps (Global) Priority: 7 7 Affinity: 0x0/0xFFFF
Metric Type: TE (default)
Path-invalidation timeout: 45000 msec (default), Action: Tear
AutoRoute: disabled LockDown: disabled Loadshare: 2 [1000000000] bw-based
auto-bw: disabled
Protection non-revertive
Association Type: Single Sided Bidirectional LSPs, Co-routed: YES
Association ID: 2222, Source: 2.3.4.5, Global ID: 6
Reverse Bandwidth: 2 kbps, Standby: 2 kbps
Fault-OAM: enabled, Path-Protection: not ready, Wrap-Protection: disabled, Wrap-Capable: No
Active Path Option Parameters:
State: explicit path option 1 is active
BandwidthOverride: disabled LockDown: disabled Verbatim: disabled
InLabel : -
OutLabel : Ethernet0/2, 17
Next Hop : 10.2.0.3
Reverse Associated LSP Information:
Signaled Name: 10.11.0.5 2222
Tunnel: 2222, Source: 10.11.0.5, Dest: 10.11.0.1, LSP: 20 State: Up
Lockout Info:
Locked out: No
Lockout Originated By: None
Association:
Association Type: Single Sided Bidirectional LSPs
Association ID: 2222 Source: 2.3.4.5
Protecting
Extended Association:
Global source: 6
Extended ID:
0x0A0B0005 (10.11.0.5)
0x00000014 (0.0.0.20)
0x00000013 (0.0.0.19)
0x00000000 (0.0.0.0)
RSVP Signalling Info:
Src 10.11.0.1, Dst 10.11.0.5, Tun_Id 2222, Tun_Instance 20
RSVP Path Info:
My Address: 10.2.0.1
Explicit Route: 10.2.0.3 10.99.0.3 10.99.0.22 10.7.0.22
10.7.0.5 10.11.0.5
Record Route: NONE
Tspec: ave rate=2 kbits, burst=1000 bytes, peak rate=2 kbits
RSVP Resv Info:
Record Route: NONE
Fspec: ave rate=2 kbits, burst=1000 bytes, peak rate=2 kbits
Shortest Unconstrained Path Info:
Path Weight: 60 (TE)
Explicit Route: 10.2.0.1 10.2.0.3 10.5.0.3 10.5.0.3 10.8.0.33 10.8.0.5 10.11.0.5
History:
Tunnel:
Time since created: 1 hours, 1 minutes
Time since path change: 56 minutes, 11 seconds
Number of LSP IDs (Tun_Instances) used: 20
Current LSP: [ID: 20]
Uptime: 59 minutes, 56 seconds
Selection: protected failure
Non Revert LSP: [ID: 33]
Uptime: 37 seconds
Prior LSP: [ID: 19]
Flex LSP Overview

ID: path option unknown
Removal Trigger: path tear

Router# show mpls traffic-eng tunnels tunnel 2222 protection
Router_t2222
LSP Head, Tunnel2222, Admin: up, Oper: up
Src 10.11.0.1, Dest 10.11.0.5, Instance 20
Fast Reroute Protection: None
Lockout Info:
Locked Out: No

Pending Non Revertive is active. Roles switched
Path Protection: 0 Common Link(s), 0 Common Node(s)
Primary lsp path:10.2.0.1 10.2.0.3 Note this is the active non-revertive protect path
10.99.0.3 10.99.0.22
10.7.0.22 10.7.0.5
10.11.0.5
Protect lsp path:10.3.0.1 10.3.0.4 Note this is the pending path ready to protect
active non-revertive
10.6.0.4 10.6.0.44
10.9.0.44 10.9.0.5
10.11.0.5
Path Protect Parameters:
Bandwidth: 2000 kbps (Global) Priority: 7 7 Affinity: 0x0/0xFFFF
Metric Type: TE (default)
InLabel : -
OutLabel : Ethernet0/3, 19
Next Hop : 10.3.0.4
Reverse Associated LSP Information:
Signaled Name: 10.11.0.5 2222
Tunnel: 2222, Source: 10.11.0.5, Dest: 10.11.0.1, LSP: 29 State: Up
Lockout Info:
Locked out: No
Lockout Originated By: None
Association:
Association Type: Single Sided Bidirectional LSPs
Association ID: 2222 Source: 2.3.4.5
Extended Association:
Global source: 6
Extended ID:
0x0A0B0005 (10.11.0.5)
0x00000001D (0.0.0.29)
0x00000000 (0.0.0.0)
0x00000000 (0.0.0.0)
RSVP Signalling Info:
Src 10.11.0.1, Dst 10.11.0.5, Tun_Id 2222, Tun_Instance 33
RSVP Path Info:
My Address: 10.3.0.1
Explicit Route: 10.3.0.4 10.6.0.4 10.6.0.44 10.9.0.44
10.9.0.5 10.11.0.5
Record Route: NONE
Tspec: ave rate=2 kbits, burst=1000 bytes, peak rate=2 kbits
RSVP Resv Info:
Record Route: NONE
Fspec: ave rate=2 kbits, burst=1000 bytes, peak rate=2 kbits

Flex LSP Sticky

Some tunnel configuration changes (for example, bandwidth) or network events (for example, link failure along the path, a higher priority LSP that preempts the current LSP, or a lockout event on a link along the path) can trigger a new LSP to be signaled. In such instances, the current LSP is switched over to the new LSP in a make-before-break manner.
The new LSP may have a different path, and lockdown does not prevent this path change. This path change can cause packet jitter that may be unacceptable to Circuit Emulation (CEM) services.

To avoid switching over to a new LSP, a new keyword – sticky is introduced in Cisco IOS XE Everest 16.5.1.

```
tunnel mpls traffic-eng path-option 1 dynamic {lockdown {sticky}}
```

```
Router(config-if)# tunnel mpls traffic-eng path-option 1 dynamic lockdown ?
  bandwidth  override the bandwidth configured on the tunnel
  sticky   stay on the same path after change in required resources
```

You can configure lockdown as one of LSP attributes, which in turn is extended with the sticky option.

```
Router(config)# mpls traffic-eng lsp attributes EXAMPLE
Router(config-lsp-attr)# lockdown ?
  sticky    stay on the same path after change in required resources
```

**Note**

The sticky option can be configured only on the primary path option.

Once configured, the protect path option with the same path option index is also sticky. This means that either both primary and protect paths are sticky or none of them are sticky.

Use the following command in EXEC mode to manually trigger rerouting the sticky primary and protect path to override the sticky behavior:

```
mpls traffic-eng reroute {Tunnel <num>}
```

```
Router# mpls traffic-eng ?
  fast-reroute  fast-reroute command
  reoptimize  reoptimize traff-eng tunnels
  reroute  allow traff-eng tunnels with sticky path to reroute
  setup-timer  set up timer expiration
```

**Restrictions**

- A primary or protect path becomes sticky if the LSP is connected.
- If the path is for Flex LSP tunnel, the LSP must be bi-directionally connected.
- If BFD is configured, the LSP must be BFD connected.

### Configuring Flex LSP Sticky Option

**Note**

Both ends of a Flex LSP tunnel must have the same sticky configuration.

```
interface Tunnel1000
  ip unnumbered Loopback0
  tunnel mode mpls traffic-eng
  tunnel destination 56.6.6.6
  tunnel mpls traffic-eng autoroute announce
  tunnel mpls traffic-eng priority 7 7
  tunnel mpls traffic-eng bandwidth 200
  tunnel mpls traffic-eng path-option 10 dynamic lockdown sticky
  tunnel mpls traffic-eng path-option protect 10 diverse non-revertive lockdown
  tunnel mpls traffic-eng bidirectional association id 1000 source-address 55.5.5.5 global-id 1000
  tunnel mpls traffic-eng bidirectional association type co-routed fault-oam wrap-protection
```
Verifying the Flex LSP Sticky Option

Router# show mpls traffic-eng tunnels tunnel 1000 detail

Name: asr167_t1000  (Tunnel1000) Destination: 54.4.4.4

Status:
Admin: up    Oper: up    Path: valid    Signalling: connected
path option 10, (LOCKDOWN & STICKY) type dynamic (Basis for Setup, path weight 4)
Path Protection: 0 Common Link(s), 0 Common Node(s)
path protect option 10, (LOCKDOWN & STICKY) type diverse (Basis for Protect, path weight 8)
Lockout Info:
   Locked Out: No

Config Parameters:
Bandwidth: 200  kbps (Global)  Priority: 7  7  Affinity: 0x0/0xFFFF
Metric Type: TE (default)
Path-selection Tiebreaker:
   Global: not set  Tunnel Specific: not set  Effective: min-fill (default)
Hop Limit: disabled
Cost Limit: disabled
Path-invalidation timeout: 10000 msec (default), Action: Tear
AutoRoute: enabled  LockDown(Sticky): enabled  Loadshare: 200  [10000000] bw-based
auto-bw: disabled
Association Type: Single Sided Bidirectional LSPs, Co-routed: YES
Association ID: 1000, Source: 56.6.6.6, Global ID: 1000
Reverse Bandwidth: 200 kbps, Standby: 200 kbps
Fault-OAM: enabled, Path-Protection: ready, Wrap-Protection: enabled, Wrap-Capable: Yes

Fault-OAM Events:
Active Path Option Parameters:
   State: dynamic path option 10 is active
   BandwidthOverride: disabled  LockDown(Sticky): enabled  Verbatim: disabled
Binding SID: 28
Node Hop Count: 2

InLabel : -
OutLabel : GigabitEthernet0/0/1, 121
Next Hop : 102.106.12.1
Reverse Associated LSP Information:
   Signaled Name: 54.4.4.4 1000
   Tunnel: 1000, Source: 54.4.4.4, Dest: 56.6.6.6, LSP: 13 State: Up
Lockout Info:
   Locked out: No
   Lockout Originated By: None
Association:
   Association Type: Single Sided Bidirectional LSPs
   Association ID: 1000  Source: 56.6.6.6
Extended Association:
   Global source: 1000
   Extended ID:
   0x36040404 (54.4.4.4)
   0x00000000 (0.0.0.0)
   0x00000000 (0.0.0.0)
RSVP Signalling Info:
   Src 56.6.6.6, Dat 54.4.4.4, Tun_Id 1000, Tun_Instance 18
   RSVP Path Info:  
      My Address: 102.106.12.2
      Explicit Route: 102.106.12.1 102.104.2.1 102.104.2.2 54.4.4.4
      Record Route:  NONE
      Tspec: ave rate=200 kbits, burst=1000 bytes, peak rate=200 kbits
RSVP Resv Info:
   Record Route:  NONE
Verifying the Flex LSP Sticky Option

Fs=spec: ave rate=200 kbits, burst=1000 bytes, peak rate=200 kbits
Shortest Unconstrained Path Info:
  Path Weight: 4 (TE)
  Explicit Route: 102.106.12.2 102.106.12.1 102.104.2.1 102.104.2.2
  54.4.4.4
Sticky Primary Path Info:
  Path Option Index: 10
  Explicit Route: 102.106.12.2 102.106.12.1 102.104.2.1 102.104.2.2
  54.4.4.4

History:
  Tunnel:
    Time since created: 42 seconds
    Time since path change: 21 seconds
    Number of LSP IDs (Tun_Instances) used: 18
    Current LSP: [ID: 18]
      Uptime: 21 seconds
      Prior LSP: [ID: 16]
      ID: path option unknown
      Removal Trigger: path error

Router# show mpls traffic-eng tunnels tunnel 1000 protection

asr167_t1000
LSP Head, Tunnel1000, Admin: up, Oper: up
Src 56.6.6.6, Dest 54.4.4.4, Instance 18
Fast Reroute Protection: None
Lockout Info:
  Locked Out: No
  Path Protection: 0 Common Link(s), 0 Common Node(s)
    Primary lsp path: 102.106.12.2 102.106.12.1 102.104.2.1 102.104.2.2
      54.4.4.4
    Protect lsp path: 101.106.1.2 101.106.1.1 101.105.7.1 101.105.7.2
      103.105.9.2 103.105.9.1 103.104.10.1 103.104.10.2
      54.4.4.4
  Path Protect Parameters:
    Bandwidth: 200 kbps (Global) Priority: 7 7 Affinity: 0x0/0xFFFF
    Metric Type: TE (default)
    InLabel : -
    OutLabel : GigabitEthernet0/0/2, 133
    Next Hop : 101.106.1.1
    Reverse Associated LSP Information:
      Signaled Name: 54.4.4.4 1000
      Tunnel: 1000, Source: 54.4.4.4, Dest: 56.6.6.6, LSP: 15 State: Up
    Lockout Info:
      Locked out: No
      Lockout Originated By: None
  Association:
    Association Type: Single Sided Bidirectional LSPs
    Association ID: 1000 Source: 56.6.6.6
    Protecting
    Extended Association:
      Global source: 1000
      Extended ID:
        0x38060606 (56.6.6.6)
        0x00000013 (0.0.0.19)
        0x00000012 (0.0.0.18)
        0x00000000 (0.0.0.0)
    RSVP Signalling Info:
      Src 56.6.6.6, Dst 54.4.4.4, Tun_Id 1000, Tun_Instance 19
      RSVP Path Info:
        My Address: 101.106.1.2
        Explicit Route: 101.106.1.1 101.105.7.1 101.105.7.2 103.105.9.2
          103.105.9.1 103.104.10.1 103.104.10.2 54.4.4.4
        Record Route: NONE
        Tspec: ave rate=200 kbits, burst=1000 bytes, peak rate=200 kbits
RSVP Resv Info:
Record Route: NONE
Fspec: ave rate=200 kbits, burst=1000 bytes, peak rate=200 kbits
Sticky Protect Path Info:
Path Option Index: 10
Explicit Route: 101.106.1.2 101.106.1.1 101.105.7.1 101.105.7.2
103.105.9.2 103.105.9.1 103.104.10.1 103.104.10.2
54.4.4.4

Flex LSP Hop Count and Cost-Max Limit

In some scenarios, path hop count is used as an estimate of path delay between a source node and destination node.

The hop-limit is the number of nodes in the path, excluding the headend. For example, a single-hop tunnel has a headend router and a tailend router, but no mid-node routers, a two-hop tunnel has a single mid-node router and at tailend router, and so on.

You can configure the hop-limit applicable to a specific tunnel. For example,

Router(config)# interface tunnel 1400
Router(config-if)# tunnel mpls traffic-eng path-selection hop-limit <1-255>

Consider the following simple topology with only the path cost and path hop count. The number indicated along each link segment is the link cost.

Without any hop-limit, the best path from Router A to Router E as selected by PCALC is [A, C, D, E] since this path has lower accumulated path cost than the other path [A, B, E]. If hop-limit is set to two, then the best path that can pass this check is [A, B, E] even though it has higher accumulated path cost.

Figure 1: Topology: Hop Count and Path Cost

Flex LSP Cost-Max Limit

In some scenarios, accumulated path cost is used as an estimate for path delay between a source node and destination node. The intent is to ensure that the accumulated path cost of a chosen path is not higher than a configured limit. A cost limit check is added after the CSPF determines the best path (lowest cost path that satisfied the path request constraints) from source node to destination node, and that for path verification.

Note
Ensure that the accumulated path cost for co-routed bidirectional LSP includes both, forward and reverse path cost.
To configure the hop-limit that is applicable to a specific tunnel, use:

```
Router(config)# interface tunnel 1400
Router(config-if)# tunnel mpls traffic-eng path-selection cost-limit <1-4294967295>
```

### Configuring Flex LSP Hop Count and Cost-Max Limit

Configure each end of the co-routed bi-directional LSP independently. Ensure that cost-limit and hop-limit on both ends are configured in the same way.

```
Router(config)# interface tunnel 1000
Router(config-if)# ip unnumbered loopback0
Router(config-if)# tunnel mode mpls traffic-eng
Router(config-if)# tunnel destination 56.6.6.6
Router(config-if)# tunnel mpls traffic-eng bidir association type co-routed fault-oam wrap
Router(config-if)# tunnel mpls traffic-eng bidir association id 1000 source 55.5.5.5 global

Router(config-if)# tunnel mpls traffic-eng path-selection hop-limit 5
Router(config-if)# tunnel mpls traffic-eng bandwidth 200
Router(config-if)# tunnel mpls traffic-eng autoroute announce
```

```
Router(config)# interface tunnel 3000
Router(config-if)# ip unnumbered loopback0
Router(config-if)# tunnel mode mpls traffic-eng
Router(config-if)# tunnel destination 56.6.6.6
Router(config-if)# tunnel mpls traffic-eng bidir association type co-routed fault-oam wrap
Router(config-if)# tunnel mpls traffic-eng bidir association id 3000 source 55.5.5.5 global

Router(config-if)# tunnel mpls traffic-eng path-selection cost-limit 50
Router(config-if)# tunnel mpls traffic-eng bandwidth 200
Router(config-if)# tunnel mpls traffic-eng autoroute announce
```

### Verifying Flex LSP Hop Count and Cost-Max Limit

```
Router# show mpls traffic-eng tunnels tunnel 1000 detail
Name: Router_t1000 (Tunnel1000) Destination: 56.6.6.6
Status:
  Admin: up  Oper: up  Path: valid  Signalling: connected
  path option 10, type dynamic (Basis for Setup, path weight 40)
Lockout Info:
  Locked Out: No

Config Parameters:
  Bandwidth: 200 kbps (Global)  Priority: 7  7  Affinity: 0x0/0xFFFF
  Metric Type: TE (default)
  Path-selection Tiebreaker:
    Global: not set  Tunnel Specific: not set  Effective: min-fill (default)
  Hop Limit: 5
```

```
Router# show mpls traffic-eng tunnels tunnel 3000 detail
Name: Router_t3000 (Tunnel3000) Destination: 56.6.6.6
Status:
  Admin: up  Oper: up  Path: valid  Signalling: connected
  path option 10, type dynamic (Basis for Setup, path weight 40)
Lockout Info:
  Locked Out: No

Config Parameters:
  Bandwidth: 200 kbps (Global)  Priority: 7  7  Affinity: 0x0/0xFFFF
  Metric Type: TE (default)
```
Path-selection Tiebreaker:
  Global: not set  Tunnel Specific: not set  Effective: min-fill (default)
Hop Limit: disabled
Cost Limit: 50

Note
The accumulated path cost for co-routed bidirectional LSP includes both, forward and reverse path cost.

Flex LSP ECMP min-fill, max-fill, random

MPLS TE chooses the least utilized path given the same accumulated path cost and hop count. However, in Cisco IOS XE Everest 16.5.1, you can steer traffic to an alternate path, depending on:

Tie-breaker 1: min-fill (choose least-utilized path)
- Smaller path cost value
- Larger path minimum bandwidth
- Smaller hop count value
- Lexicographically selects a greater path bandwidth vector (bandwidth value is sorted in ascending order)

Tie-breaker 2: max-fill (choose most-utilized path)
- Smaller path cost value
- Smaller path minimum bandwidth
- Smaller hop count value
- Lexicographically selects a smaller path bandwidth vector (bandwidth value is sorted in ascending order)

Tie-breaker 3: random
- Smaller path cost value
- Smaller hop count value
- Randomly selects a path regardless of the path bandwidth value (as long as it satisfies the request constraints)

The key decision criterion is still path cost; the tie-breakers evaluate, in sequence, until a path is selected. The random tie-breaker does not take the available link bandwidth into consideration.

Configuring Flex LSP ECMP min-fill and max-fill

ECMP can be configured globally or specifically to a tunnel. Tunnel specific configuration override the global tiebreaker selection. The default selection algorithm is min-fill.

For a Flex LSP co-routed tunnel, the same path-selection tiebreaker should be configured on each end of the bi-directional LSP.

Global Configuration Command
Router(config)# mpls traffic-eng path-selection tiebreaker?
  max-fill  Use max-fill tiebreaker
Verifying the Flex LSP ECMP min-fill and max-fill

Global Commands

To display the current global tiebreaker value.

- If the global tiebreaker is not set, the effective tiebreaker is the default setting (min-fill).
- If the global tiebreaker is set, it is the effective tiebreaker as well.

Router# show mpls traffic-eng path-selection tiebreaker

Global Path Selection Tiebreaker

------------------------------------------
Configured Tiebreaker: not set
Effective Tiebreaker: min-fill (default)

Tunnel-Specific Commands

To display current tiebreaker configuration of a tunnel:
Router# show mpls traffic-eng tunnels tunnel 1400 path-selection tiebreaker
Tunnel Name  Global  Tunnel Specific  Effective
Router_t1400  not set  max-fill  max-fill

To display the tiebreaker:
Router# show mpls traffic-eng tunnels tunnel 2000 detail
Name: Router_t2000  (Tunnel2000)  Destination: 56.6.6.6
Status:  
Admin: up  Oper: up  Path: valid  Signalling: connected  path option 10, type dynamic (Basis for Setup, path weight 80)
Lockout Info:
Locked Out: No

Config Parameters:
Bandwidth: 5000  kbps (Global)  Priority: 7 7  Affinity: 0x0/0xFFFF
Metric Type: TE (default)
Path-selection Tiebreaker:
  Global: not set  Tunnel Specific: min-fill  Effective: min-fill
Hop Limit: 5
Cost Limit: disabled
Path-invalidation timeout: 45000 msec (default), Action: Tear
AutoRoute: enabled  LockDown: disabled  Loadshare: 5000  [400000] bw-based
auto-bw: disabled
Association Type: Single Sided Bidirectional LSPs, Co-routed: YES

Use the `debug mpls traffic-eng path ecmp` command to display the ECMP-related debug information, such as for BWV comparison when all other tiebreakers failed to yield a selected path. Use this command in conjunction with the `debug mpls traffic-eng path spf` or `debug mpls traffic-eng path lookup` commands.

### Restore Path Option

The restore path option signals a restore LSP after the double failure of both, primary and protect LSPs. The restore LSP is signaled only after both, primary and protect LSPs fail or are administratively down and it is destroyed when the primary LSP comes back up. If the sticky option is configured, and both, primary and protect LSPs fail, restore LSP is destroyed when either the primary or protect LSP comes up. Also, restore LSP can be SRLG capable if it is configured.

Traffic loss is expected and acceptable until the restore LSP is signaled and established.

When the primary LSP recovers, traffic is automatically switched back to the primary LSP (make-before-break scenario) and restore LSP is torn down. If the sticky option is configured in the path option, protect LSP can recover before the primary LSP. In this case, traffic reverted to the protect LSP and the restore LSP is torn down.

To enable restore LSP for a tunnel, configure the restore path option under the tunnel interface using the command:

```
tunnel mpls traffic-eng path-option restore <index> [dynamic | explicit]
```

Multiple restore path options can be configured on a tunnel. However, only the restore path option with the same index as the path option used by primary LSP is used for establishing the restore LSP. For example, after primary and protect LSPs associated with the path option index X are administratively down, restore LSP is signaled using the restore path option with index X, if it is configured. Else, no restore LSP is signaled.
Restore path option is supported for unidirectional, bidirectional co-routed, or non co-routed tunnels. It is not supported for lockout, sticky, and non-revertive modes.

Configuring the Restore Path Option

```
tunnel mpls traffic-eng path-option restore <index> [dynamic | explicit]
```  

**Router(config-if)#** tunnel mpls traffic-eng path-option ?

- <1-1000> preference for this path option
- protect a path protection setup option
- restore a path restore setup option

Verifying the Restore Path Option

The following is an example of the information displayed for the tunnel when restore LSP is carrying traffic:

```
Router# show mpls traffic-eng tunnels Tunnel 100
Name: iolA_t100 (Tunnel100) Destination: 192.168.1.4
Status:
  Admin: up  Oper: up  Path: valid  Signalling: connected
  path restore option 1, type dynamic (Basis for Restore, path weight 40)
  path option 1, (LOCKDOWN & STICKY) type dynamic
  Path Protection: Requested
  path protect option 1, (LOCKDOWN & STICKY) type diverse
  Path Restore: Restore lsp in use.
  path restore option 1, type dynamic (Basis for Restore, path weight 40)
  Lockout Info:
    Locked Out: No

Router# show running-config interface tunnel 1000
Building configuration...

Current configuration: 675 bytes

```
interface Tunnel1000
  ip unnumbered Loopback0
  tunnel mode mpls traffic-eng
  tunnel destination 56.6.6.6
  tunnel mpls traffic-eng autoroute announce
  tunnel mpls traffic-eng priority 7 7
  tunnel mpls traffic-eng bandwidth 200
  tunnel mpls traffic-eng path-option 10 dynamic lockout sticky
  tunnel mpls traffic-eng path-option protect 10 diverse non-revertive lockout
  tunnel mpls traffic-eng path-option restore 10 dynamic
  tunnel mpls traffic-eng bidirectional association id 1000 source-address 55.5.5.5 global-id 1000
  tunnel mpls traffic-eng bidirectional association type co-routed fault-oam wrap-protection
  tunnel mpls traffic-eng bfd encap-mode gal flexbfd
```

Router# show mpls traffic-eng tunnels tunnel 1000

```
Name: Router_t1000 (Tunnel1000) Destination: 56.6.6.6
Status:
  Admin: up  Oper: up  Path: valid  Signalling: connected
  path restore option 10, type dynamic (Basis for Restore, path weight 6)
  path option 10, (LOCKDOWN & STICKY) type dynamic
  Path Protection: Requested
  path protect option 10, (LOCKDOWN & STICKY) type (NON-REVERTIVE) diverse
  Path Restore: Restore lsp in use.
  path restore option 10, type dynamic (Basis for Restore, path weight 6)
  Lockout Info:
Locked Out: No

Config Parameters:
Bandwidth: 200 kbps (Global) Priority: 7 7 Affinity: 0x0/0xFFFF
Metric Type: TE (default)
Path-selection Tiebreaker:
Global: not set Tunnel Specific: not set Effective: min-fill (default)
Hop Limit: disabled
Cost Limit: disabled
Path-invalidation timeout: 10000 msec (default), Action: Tear
Association Type: Single Sided Bidirectional LSPs, Co-routed: YES
Association ID: 1000, Source: 55.5.5.5, Global ID: 1000
Reverse Bandwidth: 200 kbps, Standby: 200 kbps
Fault-OAM: enabled, Path-Protection: no protection, Wrap-Protection: enabled, Wrap-Capable: No
BFD:
Mode: GAL
Template: flex_bfd
BFD Counters:
Session create: 14
Session delete: 11
Session create error: 0
Session delete error: 0
Active Path Option Parameters:
State: dynamic path option 10 is active
BandwidthOverride: disabled LockDown: disabled Verbatim: disabled
Node Hop Count: 3

InLabel: -
OutLabel: GigabitEthernet0/3/0, 21
Next Hop: 101.105.1.1
Reverse Associated LSP Information:
Signaled Name: 56.6.6.6 1000
Tunnel: 1000, Source: 56.6.6.6, Dest: 55.5.5.5, LSP: 133 State: Up
Lockout Info:
Locked out: No
Lockout Originated By: None
Association:
Association Type: Single Sided Bidirectional LSPs
Association ID: 1000 Source: 55.5.5.5
Restoring
Extended Association:
Global source: 1000
Extended ID:
0x38060606 (56.6.6.6)
0x00000085 (0.0.0.133)
0x00000000 (0.0.0.0)
0x00000005 (0.0.0.5)
RSVP Signalling Info:
Src 55.5.5.5, Dat 56.6.6.6, Tun_Id 1000, Tun_Instance 91
RSVP Path Info:
My Address: 101.105.1.2
Explicit Route: 101.105.1.1 101.102.6.1 101.102.6.2 102.106.2.1 102.106.2.2 56.6.6.6
Record Route: NONE
Fspec: ave rate=200 kbits, burst=1000 bytes, peak rate=200 kbits
RSVP Resv Info:
Record Route: NONE
Fspec: ave rate=200 kbits, burst=1000 bytes, peak rate=200 kbits
Shortest Unconstrained Path Info:
Path Weight: 6 (TE)
Explicit Route: 101.105.5.2 101.105.5.1 101.102.6.1 101.102.6.2
102.106.2.1 102.106.2.2 56.6.6.6
Sticky Primary Path Info:
Path Option Index: 10
Explicit Route: 102.105.12.2 102.105.12.1 102.106.2.1 102.106.2.2
56.6.6.6
Reason for the tunnel being down: Bidirectional: standby error from [56.6.6.6][TAIL] LSP[73]

History:
Tunnel:
Time since created: 34 minutes, 3 seconds
Time since path change: 4 seconds
Number of LSP IDs (Tun_Instances) used: 91
Current LSP: [ID: 91]
Uptime: 9 seconds
Selection:
Prior LSP: [ID: 77]
ID: path option 10 [102]
Removal Trigger: path verification failed
LastError: CTRL:: Explicit path has unknown address, 102.105.12.2